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Applicant:

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Examiner: David Springer

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RESPONSE "B"

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 1983.
reconsideration of the rejection of the claims in the application
is respectfully requested in view of the comparative data sub-
mitted herewith and discussed in detail below.

REMARKS

The claims in this application have been rejected on the combined teachings of the Albrecht, Yamanouchi and Connor references. In particular, the Examiner alleges that Yamanouchi discloses a compound, 6,9-dihydro-6-methyl-9-oxo-2H-pyrano(2,3-g)quinoline-8-carboxylic acid, which is a position isomer of the compounds claimed herein and which therefore prima facie renders the claimed compounds unpatentable.

In response to the Examiner's argument, there are presented herewith two declarations setting forth the results of comparative tests of Yamanouchi's above-identified compound in